

IN THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Previously Presented) A device arrangement for a network comprising:

devices that are connected to an electronic data link, wherein each device of the devices has a name memory for storing a device name uniquely assigned to a device of the devices, to enable the each device to be uniquely actuated within the network; and

a mobile input unit having an input device configured to allow input of a desired device name;

wherein the electronic data link is configured for allowing communication between the mobile input unit and the device, and wherein the electronic data link has so short a range that, by positioning the mobile input unit in a vicinity of the device, the device is selected among the devices on the network, wherein the

mobile input unit is configured to select or change the device name stored in the name memory via the electronic data link; and

wherein in response to a user entering the desired device name in the mobile input unit and bringing the mobile input unit within the range, the desired device name is automatically transmitted from the mobile input unit to the device and the name memory of the device is overwritten with the desired device name.

2. (Previously Presented) The device arrangement as claimed in claim 1, wherein the devices have first transmission means of a first type for linking with other devices on the network; and second transmission means of a second type for communication with the mobile input unit.

3. (Previously Presented) The device arrangement as claimed in claim 1, wherein the devices have transmission means of a first type for linking with other devices on the network, and the mobile input unit also has a transmission means of the first type, the device arrangement further comprising means to limit the range so that communication between the mobile input unit and the device is

of a shorter range than communication between two devices.

4.(Previously Presented) The device arrangement as claimed in claim 1, wherein the mobile input unit has a wireless transmission means, and the devices have a corresponding wireless transmission means for communicating with the mobile input unit and for transmitting the name.

5.(Previously Presented) The device arrangement as claimed in claim 1, wherein the range of communication between the mobile input unit and the device is less than 3 meters.

6.(Previously Presented) A device arrangement as claimed in claim 1, wherein the range of communication between the mobile input unit and the device can be set by the user.

7.(Currently Amended) The device arrangement as claimed in claim 1, wherein the mobile input unit has a display for displaying the device name read out from the device.

8.(Currently Amended) The device arrangement as claimed in claim 1, wherein the mobile input unit is suitable for input of a key for the device.

9.(Currently Amended) A device for use in a network arrangement, the device comprising:

a name memory that stores a device name uniquely assigned to the device, to enable the device to be uniquely actuated within the a network; and

at least one wireless transmitter;

wherein the device name stored in the name memory is individually selected and/or changed via the at least one wireless receiver transmitter;

wherein in response to a user entering a desired device name in a mobile input unit and bringing the mobile input unit within communication range between the device and the mobile input unit, the desired device name is automatically transmitted from the mobile input unit to the device and the name memory of the device is overwritten with the desired device name.

10. (Previously Presented) An input unit for use in a network including devices, the input unit comprising:

an input means for input of a desired device name for a device of the devices; and

a wireless transmission means for transmitting the desired device name to the device;

wherein in response to a user entering the desired device name in the input means and bringing the input unit within communication range between the device and the input unit, the desired device name is automatically transmitted from the input unit to the device and a name memory of the device is overwritten with the desired device name.

11. (Currently Amended) A method of actuating a plurality of devices on a network, connected to an electronic data link, each device having a name memory that stores a device name uniquely assigned to the device, to enable each device to be uniquely actuated within the network, the method comprising the acts of:

entering a desired device name with an input means belonging to a mobile input unit when the mobile input unit is brought into

the vicinity of ~~a~~-the device;

transmitting the entered device name being entered via the electronic data link from the mobile input unit to the device; and changing the device name stored in the device;

wherein the transmitting and changing acts are automatically performed in response to a user entering the desired device name in the input means of the mobile input unit and bringing the mobile input unit within communication range between the device and the mobile input unit where the name memory of the device is overwritten with the desired device name.

12. (Previously Presented) The method as recited in claim 11, wherein the plurality of devices on the network includes at least one of the following: a home network having a plurality of electronic devices, building control devices, home entertainment electronics devices, or network control devices.

13. (Previously Presented) The device arrangement of claim 1, wherein the plurality of devices on the network includes at least one of the following: a home network having a plurality of

electronic devices, building control devices, home entertainment  
electronics devices, or network control devices.